

GRAND ARMY REMINISCENCES.

HOSPITAL ABUSES.

Putting Logwood in the Coffee.

There was a very large hospital at Madison, Indiana, which was very much crowded in 1864-1865 with the sick and wounded. I established a special diet kitchen there for the preparation of food for the very sick and severely wounded, and placed one of my lady helpers in charge. She had scarcely assumed supervision of the cookery till she began complaining of the quality of the food, especially of the coffee. As she put it: "There is nothing in this hospital fit for a well man to eat, much less these sick and wounded and dying men."

More than \$50,000,000 was expended on the Escorial Palace in Madrid, Spain. A fish dealer in Bath, Me., on cutting open a yellow perch found eight twenty-penny nails in the stomach. Alexander Hookway, of Blue River Township, and a blacksmith by trade, recently celebrated his 112th birthday. Horticulturists say that apples grown in grass grounds will keep longer than the same fruit grown on cultivated land. In almost every school of the Mikado's Empire it is the custom one day in the autumn to take the pupils out rabbit hunting.

CURIOS FACTS.

The oldest woman in Indiana is Grand-ma Sears, of Plevna, Ind. She is 108 years old, and has smoked her pipe daily for ninety years. The world contains in 6000 known languages and dialects, and in addition to these there are some that scholars have not yet learned and classified. A size in a coat is an inch; in underwear the same; in socks, an inch; in a collar, a half-inch; in trousers, one inch; and in a hat one-eighth of an inch. One of the largest cacti plants ever known is now growing in a nursery near Birmingham, England. It quite fills a large greenhouse. Some 2000 buds have been trimmed from the tree, and it still has 6000.

PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATS.

IN STATE CONVENTION.

The Democratic State Convention met at Harrisburg and the friends of Grover Cleveland, Governor Pattison, and Secretary of State Harry had matters their own way. The program of the administration people, as they are called, did not meet with a single obstacle worth speaking of. There was some friction here and there outside the convention, but inside there was a spirit of peace and harmony that did not once suffer disturbance, except toward the close of the morning session, when nearly all the delegates had left the hall for dinner.

THE TICKET.

Following is the ticket so far as it has been completed. The only omissions are in the Eighth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Twelfth congressional districts, where the delegates and electors are not yet chosen. For Judge of the supreme court—Christian Heydrick. For congress-at-large—George A. Allen, Thomas P. Merritt. For elector-at-large—Mortimer F. Elliott, John C. Ballitt, Thomas B. Kennedy, David T. Vatoro.



HARRY BISHOP, an alleged horse thief, was arrested at Washington, and will be tried in Waynesburg. A child of Robert Parker of Irwin, being locked in a house which took fire, perished before it could be gotten out. Miss MRS. DEHLE, telegraph operator in the Donohoe tower, near Greensburg, saved a child's life by snatching it from before a train.